

1 Claims 1, 32, 38, 43 and 46 are amended as shown herein.

2 Claims 9-10, 13-21, 23-29 and 31 were previously cancelled.

3 Claim 42 is canceled.

4 Claims 1-8 and 32-41 and 43-48 remain in the application and are listed as
5 follows:

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7 **1. (Currently Amended)** A method for providing audio and lyrical
8 data to a user comprising:

9 10 receiving a user request to play an audio file;

11 12 identifying, based on the user request, a preferred language and a preferred
13 sublanguage for displaying a lyric set associated with the audio file;

14 15 automatically searching a list of lyric sets associated with the audio file to
16 determine whether the lyric set is available in the preferred language and the
17 preferred sublanguage;

18 19 automatically selecting an alternate lyric set to be displayed based on a
20 hierarchical list of language priorities provided by a lyric synchronization module
21 when the automatic searching indicates that the lyric set is unavailable in the
22 preferred sublanguage, the automatic selecting performed without user assistance;

23 24 [[and]]

25 26 playing the audio file and displaying the alternate lyric set; and
27 28 providing a lyric editor that allows the user to add lyrics to an audio file and
29 30 edit existing lyrics of the audio file.

1 **2. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
2 alternate lyric set is contained in the audio file.

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4 **3. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
5 alternate lyric set is stored separately from the audio file.

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7 **4. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
8 alternate lyric set includes a plurality of lyric segments, and wherein each of the
9 plurality of lyric segments is associated with a particular time period of the audio
10 file.

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12 **5. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
13 alternate lyric set includes a plurality of lyric segments and the audio file contains
14 a plurality of time codes, wherein each of the plurality of time codes corresponds
15 to a particular lyric segment.

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17 **6. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein a particular lyric
18 segment is displayed during playback of the audio file based on a current time
19 code.

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21 **7. (Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the
22 preferred sublanguage identifies a regional dialect of the preferred language.

1 **8. (Original)** One or more computer-readable memories containing a
2 computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited
3 in claim 1.

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5 **9-31. (Cancelled)**

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7 **32. (Currently Amended)** A method for providing audio and lyrical
8 data to a user comprising:

9 receiving a user request to play an audio file;
10 identifying, based on the user request, a preferred language for displaying
11 lyrics;

12 identifying an alternate language for displaying the lyrics based on a
13 hierarchical list of language priorities when the lyric set is unavailable in the
14 preferred language, the identifying the alternate language performed automatically
15 and without user assistance;

16 playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in the preferred
17 language if lyric data is available in the preferred language; [[and]]

18 playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in the alternate
19 language if lyric data is not available in the preferred language;

20 providing a lyric editor that allows the user to add lyrics to an audio file and
21 edit existing lyrics of the audio file.

1 **33. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 further comprising
2 playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in English if lyric data is
3 not available in the preferred language or the alternate language.

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5 **34. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 wherein the lyric data is
6 stored in the audio file.

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8 **35. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 further comprising:
9 while playing the audio file, receiving a request to change the language of
10 the lyrics being displayed; and
11 displaying associated lyric data in the requested language.

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13 **36. (Original)** A method as recited in claim 32 wherein playing the
14 audio file and displaying associated lyric data includes:

15 playing the audio file;
16 determining a time code associated with a current playback location in the
17 audio file;
18 identifying a lyric segment associated with the time code; and
19 displaying the lyric segment until a different time code is reached.

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21 **37. (Original)** One or more computer-readable memories containing a
22 computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited
23 in claim 32.

1 **38. (Currently Amended)** An apparatus for providing audio and lyrical
2 data to a user comprising:

3 an audio player to play an audio file;
4 a language selection module to automatically search a list of lyric sets
5 associated with the audio file to determine whether a lyric set is available in a
6 preferred language, and to automatically identify an alternate lyric set to be
7 displayed based on a hierarchical list of language priorities when the search by the
8 language selection module indicates that the lyric set is unavailable in the
9 preferred language, the automatic searching and automatic identifying performed
10 without user assistance; [[and]]

11 a lyric display module coupled to the audio player and the language
12 selection module, the lyric display module to identify the alternate lyric set
13 associated with the audio file, wherein the lyric display module displays the
14 identified alternate lyric set synchronously with playing of the audio file; and

15 a lyric editor that allows the user to add lyrics to an audio file and edit
16 existing lyrics of the audio file.

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18 **39. (Previously Presented)** An apparatus as recited in claim 38
19 wherein the lyric display module displays different lyric segments of the alternate
20 lyric set based on a portion of the audio file being played by the audio player.

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22 **40. (Previously Presented)** An apparatus as recited in claim 38
23 wherein the alternate lyric set is stored in the audio file.

1 **41. (Original)** An apparatus as recited in claim 38 wherein the
2 preferred language is stored separately from the audio file.

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4 **42. (Canceled).**

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6 **43. (Currently Amended)** An apparatus for providing audio and lyrical
7 data to a user comprising:

8 means for identifying an audio file to play based on a user request;
9 means for identifying a plurality of lyric segments associated with the audio
10 file, wherein each lyric segment has an associated time code, and wherein the time
11 codes identify periods of time during playback of the audio file;

12 means for identifying a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage for
13 displaying lyrics, wherein the preferred sublanguage identifies a country/region
14 dialect of the preferred language, wherein an alternate language is automatically
15 selected without user assistance if lyric segments are not available in the preferred
16 language and sublanguage; [[and]]

17 means for playing the audio file and displaying a lyric segment that
18 corresponds to the current time code; and

19 means for allowing the user to add lyrics to an audio file and edit existing
20 lyrics of the audio file.

1 **44. (Previously Presented)** An apparatus as recited in claim 43
2 wherein the means for identifying a plurality of lyric segments identifies a
3 plurality of lyric segments in the preferred sublanguage.

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5 **45. (Original)** An apparatus as recited in claim 43 wherein the lyric
6 segments are stored in the audio file.

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8 **46. (Currently Amended)** One or more computer-readable media
9 having stored thereon a computer program that, when executed by one or more
10 processors, causes the one or more processors to:

11 receive a user request to play an audio file;
12 identify a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage that identifies a
13 country/region dialect of the preferred language in which to display lyrics
14 associated with the audio file, wherein an alternate language is automatically
15 identified without user assistance if lyric segments are not available in the
16 preferred language and sublanguage;

17 identify a plurality of lyric segments associated with the audio file, wherein
18 each lyric segment has an associated time code, and wherein each time code
19 identifies a time during playback of the audio file that a corresponding lyric
20 segment is displayed; [[and]]

21 play the audio file and display the appropriate lyric segments as the audio
22 file is played; and

23 provide a lyric editor that allows the user to add lyrics to an audio file and
24 edit existing lyrics of the audio file.

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2 **47. (Original)** One or more computer-readable media as recited in
3 claim 46 wherein the one or more processors further identify an alternate language
4 if lyric segments are not available in the preferred language.

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6 **48. (Original)** One or more computer-readable media as recited in
7 claim 46 wherein the time code data is stored in the audio file.

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